



Treating Tobacco Use During Pregnancy and Beyond “Systems Change Implementation” Stipend Guidelines June 2006

Background

According to the *Surgeon General’s Report on Tobacco Use*, “Only 21% of health care providers are trained in effective tobacco cessation techniques. There is a strong dose-response relation between counseling intensity and cessation success. In general, the more intense the treatment intervention, the greater the rate of smoking cessation. Treatments may be made more intense by increasing (a) the length of individual treatment sessions and (b) the number of treatment sessions.”

Eligibility

Health care clinics, hospitals, WIC clinics, or any clinics serving pregnant women in Kansas who have attended the “Treating Tobacco Use During Pregnancy and Beyond” training sponsored by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, Tobacco Use Prevention Program in June of 2006 are eligible to apply.

Timeline

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| • June 5 – June 26: | Trainings offered |
| • 30 days after training attended: | Implementation Stipend Application due |
| • 30 – 60 days after training attended: | Implementation of provider reminder system |
| • 90 days after training attended: | Evaluation of provider reminder system |

Requirements

- Attend “Treating Tobacco Use During Pregnancy and Beyond” training sponsored by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, Tobacco Use Prevention Program in June of 2006.
- Provide pre-natal care to pregnant women
- Complete “Treating Tobacco Use During Pregnancy and Beyond” Implementation Stipend Application
- Make referrals to the Kansas Tobacco Quitline via the Fax Referral Form
- Implement a tobacco cessation provider reminder system in the office
- Participate in an evaluation of the project

Funding

Award amounts of up to \$500.00 per organization are available to implement a provider reminder system in a clinical setting.

Questions

Questions should be directed to Julia Francisco, Director, Tobacco Use Prevention Program at 316.337.6050 or at jfrancis@kdhe.state.ks.us.

Completed applications may be faxed to 620.235.4041 or sent by first-class mail to Mary Beth Warren, AHEC, 1501 South Joplin, 4th Floor, Shirk Hall, Pittsburg, Kansas 66762-0296.